

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Richmond, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

July 7, 2014 to July 14, 2014

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal financial assistance activity to determine whether it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) proposes to provide mortgage insurance under HUD Section 221(d)(4) to Berkadia to finance the construction of The Bliley Apartments in the City of Richmond. The Section 221(d)(4) program provides mortgage insurance for multifamily rental housing for moderate-income families. The site currently consists of a 54.68-acre undeveloped wooded parcel with an open area in the central portion of the site that contains a single family home and associated outbuildings. The project involves the construction of twelve apartment buildings (approximately 252 units), a clubhouse with a pool, two large wet ponds, parking areas, and approximately 114 lots that will be developed as commercial and residential properties. The apartment buildings and one wet pond are proposed to be construction in the southern portion of the site, while the single family homes/commercial development and remaining pond are proposed in the central and northern portions of the site. Access to the site will be provided from Jahnke Road. The applicant has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination on HUD's behalf which finds the proposed project consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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